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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Noriya IZU, et al.

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EXAMINER:

FOR: RESISTANCE TYPE OXYGEN SENSOR AND OXYGEN SENSOR DEVICE USING IT AND AIR/FUEL RATIO CONTROL SYSTEM

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	AI	58-092946	06/02/83	JP (with English abstract & equivalent of US 4453397)		NO
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